

# Home Group Discussion Guide

## How Can We Forgive? – Mathew 18:21-35

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*The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.*

*The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.*

**Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked**, instead respond to the needs of your group. If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

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### GETTING STARTED

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1. What is a lesson or piece of advice about forgiveness you have found helpful in life?
2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?

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### REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

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**Key Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35; Colossians 3:13**

*(Read Colossians 3:13)*

1. What is your reaction when you hear Paul's words here in Colossians? Why?

*(Read Matthew 18:21-27)*

2. Jesus tells of a 10,000 talent (or bags of gold) debt. What is the point He is trying to make?
  - a. What kind of debt might this look like today?
  - b. The master chooses to forgive this unimaginable debt – What does this teach us about forgiveness?

*(Read Matthew 18:27-35)*

3. How does the servant respond to his debt being forgiven?
4. What is Jesus wanting us to understand about forgiveness from these words?
5. What does it look like to forgive from the heart?

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### RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

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1. Is there an area in your life where you need to practice forgiveness?
  - a. What might be the first step for you to engage with that this week?
  - b. How can your group pray for you as you engage with forgiveness?

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### OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

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Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

